

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

KEVIN WOODARD, #165148,

Civil Action No.04-70017

Plaintiff,  
vs.

District Judge Denise Page Hood  
Magistrate Judge Virginia M. Morgan

NEIL SZABO, et al

Defendants.

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**ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL**

Before the Court is Plaintiff's Motion for Appointment of Counsel. A federal court may request counsel to represent an indigent plaintiff, 28 U.S.C. § 1915, when such an appointment is warranted by "exceptional circumstances." Lavado v. Keohane, 992 F.2d 601, 606 (6<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1993). The decision whether to appoint counsel is left to the discretion of the court. There are no exceptional circumstances in this case that would warrant the appointment of counsel.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the motion is DENIED.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 27, 2005

s/Virginia M. Morgan  
VIRGINIA M. MORGAN  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**Proof of Service**

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the order was served on the parties and attorneys of record by electronic means or U.S. Mail on June 27, 2005.

s/Jennifer Hernandez  
Case Manager to  
Magistrate Judge Morgan